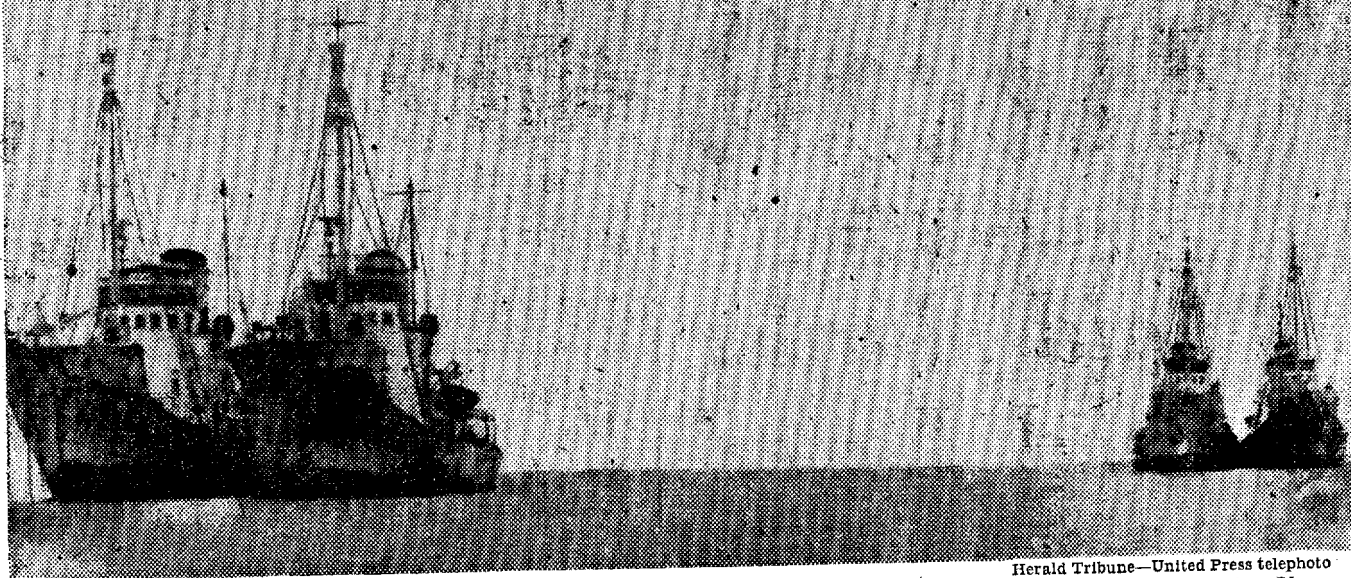


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Four ships of the whaling fleet of Aristotle Onassis at anchor at Paíta, Peru, after their seizure by the Peruvian Navy. The ships are the Olympic Lightning, Olympic Victor, Olympic Conqueror and Olympic Fighter.



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Aristotle Onassis, owner of the seized ships. He is pictured on the terrace of his home here at 16 Sutton Square yesterday after receiving latest reports on the incident.

## Seizure of Onassis Whalers Backed by Peru's Congress

LIMA, Peru, Nov. 18 (AP).—The Peruvian Congress gave full support today to the seizure of foreign-owned whaling ships operating in Pacific waters claimed by Peru. Peruvian ships and planes have rounded up five Panamanian-registered vessels in the whaling fleet of Aristotle Onassis within the 200-mile coastal belt which this country claims. The 13,000-ton Olympic Challenger, whaling factory ship, reached the northern port of Paíta today escorted by a destroyer. Four of Mr. Onassis' 700-ton whalers had already been taken to the same port.

The Senate unanimously adopted a resolution praising the action against what it called "the illegal entry of Peruvian territorial waters by fishing fleets." The Chamber of Deputies approved a similar motion. Mr. Onassis, a Greek-born Argentine citizen, whose main headquarters are at Monte Carlo, sent a Panamanian lawyer, Roberto Arias Guardia, to Lima today to look after his interests. Panama has lodged a complaint with Peru over the seizures. Peru has not indicated what further action she plans regarding the ships.